

AUG 28 2006

MORRISON | FOERSTER

755 PAGE MILL ROAD
PALO ALTO
CALIFORNIA 94304-1018TELEPHONE: 650.813.5600
FACSIMILE: 650.494.0792

WWW.MOFO.COM

MORRISON & FOERSTER LLP
NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO,
LOS ANGELES, PALO ALTO,
SAN DIEGO, WASHINGTON, D.C.
DENVER, NORTH VIRGINIA,
ORANGE COUNTY, SACRAMENTO,
WALNUT CREEK, CHANDLER CITY
TOKYO, LONDON, BEIJING,
SHANGHAI, HONG KONG,
SINGAPORE, BRUSSELS

To:

NAME:	FACSIMILE:	TELEPHONE:
Mail Stop Amendment United States Patent and Trademark Office	(571) 273-8300	(571) 272-8636

FROM: Thomas Chan DATE: August 28, 2006

Number of pages with cover page:	17	
-------------------------------------	----	--

Preparer of this slip has confirmed that facsimile number given is correct: 12135/srh3

Comments:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Attorney Docket No.: 188122002000
 Group Art Unit: 2123
 Examiner: A. Pierre-Louis
 Serial No.: 10/713,753
 Filing Date: November 13, 2003
 Inventors: Bruce W. MCGAUGHY et al.
 Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SUPPORTING MULTI-
 RATE SIMULATION OF A CIRCUIT HAVING
 HIERARCHICAL DATA STRUCTURE

Papers enclosed herewith:

1. Transmittal Form - 1 page
2. Amendment In Response To Non-Final Office Action - 15 pages

PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT VIA RETURN FACSIMILE

To ensure compliance with requirements imposed by the United States Internal Revenue Service, Morrison & Foerster LLP informs you that, if any advice concerning one or more U.S. Federal tax issues is contained in this facsimile (including any attachments), such advice is not intended or written to be used, and cannot be used, for the purpose of (i) avoiding penalties under the Internal Revenue Code or (ii) promoting, marketing or recommending to another party any transaction or matter addressed herein

CAUTION - CONFIDENTIAL

This facsimile contains confidential information that may also be privileged. Unless you are the addressee (or authorized to receive for the addressee), you may not copy, use, or distribute it. If you have received it in error, please advise Morrison & Foerster LLP immediately by telephone or facsimile and return it promptly by mail.

pa-1090600

Client Reference No.: CAD: 03-094

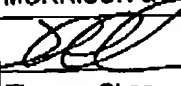
AUG 28 2006

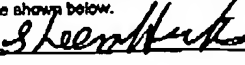
PTO/SB/21 (09-04)

Approved for use through 07/31/2008. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

TRANSMITTAL FORM <i>(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)</i>	Application Number	10/713,753	
	Filing Date	November 13, 2003	
	First Named Inventor	Bruce W. MCGAUGHY	
	Art Unit	2123	
	Examiner Name	A. Pierre-Louis	
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	16	Attorney Docket Number	188122002000

ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply - 15 Pages <input type="checkbox"/> After Final <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request <input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Reply to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application <input type="checkbox"/> Reply to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers <input type="checkbox"/> Petition <input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address <input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund <input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Table on CD <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Remarks</div>	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to TC <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to TC (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) <input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information <input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below): Fax Cover Sheet
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT		
Firm Name	MORRISON & EOERSTER LLP (Customer No. 25226)	
Signature		
Printed name	Thomas Chan	
Date	August 28, 2006	Reg. No. 51,543

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being transmitted by facsimile to the Patent and Trademark Office, facsimile no. (571) 273-8300, on the date shown below.	
Dated: August 28, 2006	Signature:  (Sheena Hicks)

pa-1090599

Client Reference No.: CAD: 03-094

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

AUG 28 2006

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being transmitted by facsimile to the Patent and Trademark Office, facsimile no. (571) 273-8300, on the date shown below.

Dated: August 28, 2006

Signature: Sheena Hicks

(Sheena Hicks)

Docket No.: 188122002000

Client Reference No.: CAD: 03-094
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Bruce W. MCGAUGHY et al.

Application No.: 10/713,753

Confirmation No.: 1627

Filed: November 13, 2003

Art Unit: 2123

For: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SUPPORTING
MULTI-RATE SIMULATION OF A CIRCUIT
HAVING HIERARCHICAL DATA
STRUCTURE**

Examiner: A. Pierre-Louise

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated May 26, 2006 (Paper No./Mail Date 05172006), for which a response was due on August 26, 2006. August 26, 2006 fell on a Saturday. Accordingly, this response, filed on August 28, is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.

pa-1069343